

Minutes of the Intercollegiate Meat Coaches Association/AMSA

2010 at Texas Tech Univ.

Overton Hotel and Conference Center

The meeting was called to order by President Chad Carr. A motion was made to accept the 2009 minutes by Gretchen Hilton and seconded by Greg Rentfrow. Motion passed.

President Carr introduced Gordon W. Davis to speak to the group regarding the future funding and operation of Meat Judging for perpetuity. Dr. Davis challenged the group to touch base with all former judging participants at each school and ask them to join us in funding meat judging for the future.

President Carr introduced Thomas Powell to give a financial report for IMCA from AMSA. The largest three contributors for Meat Judging is Cargill, Tyson and NPB. The Rachael Hamilton Endowment is now fully funded at over \$47,000. The General Meat Judging Endowment is at \$137,000. This past year, we received \$134,000 in revenue and spent \$123,000 to conduct contests. The surplus will be added to the General Meat Judging Endowment.

President Carr introduced and recognized current AMSA board members in attendance of the meeting. Furthermore, he introduced Brad Morgan as the current AMSC/IMCA Board Liasion member. He discussed the situation of the Meat Evaluation Handbook, AMSA Board support for meat judging and retirements versus replacements of faculty at universities/colleges across the country. This is in a downward spiral and we need to help each other and encourage other schools to participate.

President Carr introduced the current IMCA Executive Board as: Tyler Hickman, Ian Shann, Chad Carr, and Gretchen Hilton. Members fulfilling their terms on the board were: Ryan Edgecomb, Terry Houser and Bryan Lindley. Newly elected members are: Jason Sawyer, Dale Woerner and Chancie Moore. Nominations were open for the president-elect. Dale Woerner was nominated. Ryan Edgecomb made the motion to elect Dale by acclamation and Keith Underwood seconded the motion. Motion passed.

President Carr introduced Randy Harp to give a report/update on revisions pending for the National FFA Meats Contest. Benjy Mikel and Tom Carr also serve on the FFA committee and were in attendance to answer questions. The discussion focused on the potential changes as well as the merger of the 4-H/FFA Retail Identification cuts, code sheet and scorecard.

President Carr initiated a discussion concerning the alternate's participation at the International contest. After much discussion the subject died for the lack of a motion.

President Carr welcomed discussion from Jimmy Wise and Gretchen Hilton regarding a new traveling trophy for the International. A committee was appointed to review and make recommendations: Gretchen, Dale Woerner, Mark Miller and Clint Alexander.

President Carr introduced John Unruh as the recipient of the "AMSA Meritorious Meat Judging Award" winner for 2010.

President Carr initiated a discussion on the "All American Award". Discussion was made regarding the number of students to award for each division. After much discussion the subject died for the lack of a motion.

President Carr asked the group if there was any new business. Mark Miller thanked Gretchen Hilton and others for their efforts for a successful coaches clinic that occurred the day preceding. Sponsors for the coaches clinic was: JBS, Texas Beef Council, Cargill, Nebraska Beef, and Tyson.

Jimmy Wise discussed Fall 2010 and 2011 National Western and Southwestern contest dates and motel reservations. Also, he mentioned a change for the motel at the Southwestern. He further complimented the group for improving on the Code of Conduct this past year yet challenged the group to keep it up and don't let this deteriorate. Lastly, Jimmy mentioned that coaches need to make better efforts to communicate with host plants for practices and always comply with safety policies.

Clint Alexander announced that Beef Empire Days contest will be held on September 26th in Garden City, KS. Sherry Olsen announced that the Iowa State Univ. contest will be October 9th.

Terry Houser invited all to the RMC at Kansas State University in 2011 and announced plans will be made for another coaches clinic.

President Carr asked for volunteers to serve as a recruitment committee for the "A" division for more participating teams. Committee members are: Terry Houser, Chad Carr, Keith Underwood and Randy Harp. A suggestion was made to offer a section of the coaches clinic at the 2011 RMC to include a session for new coaches.

Gretchen Hilton initiated a discussion on the International Meat Judging Program for the future.

Jimmy Wise requested a greater amount of coaches participation for sponsoring awards at contests.

President Carr initiated discussion on research being conducted at the Univ. of Florida on critical thinking and assessment. He invited coaches to participate in this study.

President Carr passed on the gavel to President Gretchen Hilton.

President Hilton asked a motion of adjournment. A motion was made and passed to adjourn.